

REMARKS

Objections

Claims 1-16 remain in connection with the present application, wherein each of claims 1-16 have been indicated to be allowable over the prior art of record by the Examiner. Claims 1, 10 and 13 are independent.

The Examiner objects to claims 1-9 and 12-16 for having informalities.

Applicants respectfully traverse this objection. Claims 1, 2, and 12 are objected to because the equations of claims 2 and 12 rely on the initial starts and ends of claim 1. Applicants have amended claims 1, 2, and 12 as requested by the Examiner to overcome this objection. However, Applicants direct the Examiner's attention to the fact that the initial end has been indicated as " W_{0e} " instead of " W_{es} " as the Examiner suggests.

Claims 13 and 14 have also been amended in similar fashion to claims 1 and 2 respectively.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants note with appreciation that claims 10 and 11 are allowed and that claims 1-9 and 12-16 would be allowed if amended as suggested by the Examiner.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, in view of the above amendments and remarks, reconsideration of the objections and rejections and allowance of claims 1-9 and 12-16 in connection with the present application is earnestly solicited.

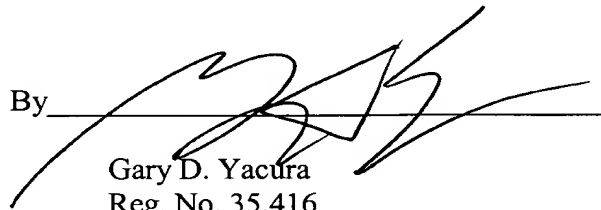
If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number of the undersigned listed below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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